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Heroin Overdose Deaths — Multnomah County, Oregon, 1993-1999

In the United States, heroin use is increasing and was implicated in 3805 deaths in 1993 (1). Multnomah County is Oregon's most populous county (1998 estimated population: 641,900); three fourths of county residents live in Portland. In 1999, in response to community concerns, the Multnomah County Health Department analyzed medical examiner (ME) data for 1993–1999 and interviewed heroin users to characterize heroin overdose deaths (HODDs) in the county. This report summarizes the findings of these studies, which indicate that HODDs in the county more than doubled from 1993 to 1999 (from 46 to 111), and that interviews with users helped identify possible public health interventions.

For 1993–1999, ME-diagnosed HODDs were identified using the ME annual summary of drug-related deaths. For 1996–1999, the Multnomah County Health Department conducted a detailed review of ME records of drug-related deaths, which included those resulting from overdose and other drug-related causes (e.g., injury and disease deaths in which drugs played a role). ME-diagnosed HODDs for 1996–1999 were within 6.5% of those identified in the detailed case review.

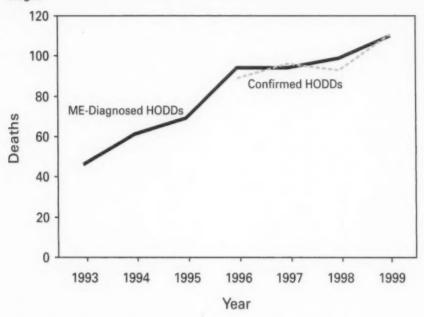
During 1993–1999, 573 ME-diagnosed HODDs were identified. During 1996–1999, 517 drug-related deaths occurred in Multnomah County; 85 attributed to causes other than unintentional overdose (e.g., homicide and suicide) were excluded. Of the remaining 432 deaths, 389 (90.0%) were classified as unintentional HODDs based on laboratory evidence of opiates in blood or other specimens and absence of historic, scene, or toxicologic evidence of poisoning with other drugs, including other opiates. Of the 389 HODDs, 337 (86.6%) were in Multnomah County residents. HODDs more than doubled from 1993 (n=46) to 1999 (n=111) (Figure 1). In 1999, the cause-specific death rate from HODDs among all county residents was 15.1 per 100,000 population.

Of the 389 HODDs, 333 (85.6%) were in males. Almost half (46.8%) were in persons aged 45–54 years; 23.1%, aged 35–44 years; 22.9%, aged 25–34 years; and 4.9%, aged <25 years. The median ages for males (40.0 years) and females (37.5 years) were similar. The race/ethnicity of persons who died of heroin overdose reflected the county population.

Approximately half (47.6%) of HODDs occurred in users' homes, 13.4% occurred in friends' homes, and 13.4% in hotels/motels. Only 18.8% of the HODDs occurred in public settings where a passerby might have found the person who had overdosed.

Toxicology results were analyzed for 115 consecutive HODDs during October 1998– December 1999; for 58.3% of these HODDs, alcohol and/or drugs in addition to heroin Heroin Overdose Deaths - Continued

FIGURE 1. Number of medical examiner (ME)-diagnosed heroin overdose deaths (HODDs)*, 1993–1999, and confirmed HODDs¹, 1996–1999 — Multnomah County, Oregon



* Identified from ME annual summary of drug-related deaths.

Identified from detailed review of ME data and includes unintentional HODDs with toxicologic evidence of opiates and absence of other drugs.

were detected. The substances most commonly identified along with heroin were cocaine (26.1%), benzodiazepines (15.7%), and alcohol (10.4%).

To gather data on circumstances of overdose and identify intervention opportunities, investigators interviewed heroin users with a history of overdose. Ten current users were recruited through posters in hotels and referrals from needle-exchange programs. Eight former users early in recovery (i.e., abstinent from heroin for <14 weeks) were recruited through a drug-free housing program. Respondents were asked about 1) drug availability, sources, cost, and potency; 2) drug use patterns; 3) personal experience with heroin overdose; and 4) response to companion's overdose.

Respondents reported that "black tar" heroin from Mexico or South America was the primary type used in the community and that heroin and other drugs are readily available and inexpensive. Users reported great variability in the potency of heroin sold in Multnomah County. Users also reported that injection was the primary route of administration.

Regular heroin users develop tolerance to higher doses. When heroin use is interrupted, heroin doses that were previously well-tolerated can cause overdose. Heroin users described several situations in which heroin use was interrupted: involuntarily,

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when incarcerated or lacking money to purchase heroin, and voluntarily, during attempts to stop using heroin. Regardless of the reason for the interruption, users reported they tended to resume injecting heroin at their usual dose and sometimes overdosed. Users believed that risk for overdose was greater when they used alcohol and other drugs with heroin, injected heroin without companions, and had another person inject drugs for them.

Heroin users' responses to a companion's overdose reflected a strong desire to avoid contact with law enforcement and medical systems. Three fourths of respondents reported that they hesitated to call for emergency assistance for fear of being arrested. Many attempted to resuscitate overdosed companions on their own. Users also described leaving overdose victims in public places, hoping that they would be discovered and helped by others.

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Editorial Note: The findings in this report indicate that HODDs are a major and increasing public health problem in Multnomah County. In 1999, it was a leading cause of death among men aged 25–54 years, with a cause-specific death rate of 47.8 per 100,000 population.

The ethnographic interviews provide some data about the circumstances and risk factors for heroin overdose in Multnomah County. Variations in heroin potency (2,3), intermittent and interrupted heroin use (4), use of other drugs and alcohol (5), and variable heroin tolerance (6) can increase the risk for overdose and death. Failure to use emergency medical services has been associated with fatal heroin overdose (7).

The findings in this report are subject to at least four limitations. First, surveillance for HODD is difficult because ME classification of overdose deaths is inconsistent (8). Second, this study probably underestimated the impact of heroin overdose on the county. Thirty-two HODDs were excluded from the analysis because they were not clearly unintentional overdoses, and 52 were excluded from death rate calculations because they did not occur in county residents. Third, the difficulty in reconstructing the social and behavioral context of overdose deaths complicates both surveillance of HODDs and identification of prevention opportunities. Finally, ethnographic data may not be representative of injecting-drug users in Multnomah County because those interviewed were from a convenience sample.

Several approaches may help to prevent HODDs. Improved public health surveillance should enable identification of risks and protective factors and help monitor the impact of interventions. Heroin use can be reduced by primary prevention of the initiation of drug use and substance abuse treatment (particularly methadone maintenance) for active users.

Other steps can be considered to reduce HODDs among users who cannot or will not stop injecting. Improving use and quality of emergency medical response and treatment can improve outcomes. Working with police to establish policies that persons reporting or suffering drug overdose are not subject to arrest could increase users' willingness to seek emergency assistance (9). Users can be counseled about the risks for heroin overdose and how to avoid them (1,9,10). Some programs train injecting-drug users and their partners in the use of naloxone, an opiate antagonist highly effective in reversing the effects of opiate overdose but that can induce withdrawal and requires medical supervision (1,9).

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Implementing interventions to decrease heroin and other fatal drug overdoses will require partnerships among a range of groups and programs, including public health, substance abuse treatment, syringe exchange/community outreach programs, emergency medical services, and police and criminal justice departments. Planning and implementation should involve heroin users because their knowledge, skills, and social networks can help identify interventions and achieve acceptance of interventions among the drug users at risk for drug overdose.

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Unintentional Opiate Overdose Deaths — King County, Washington, 1990–1999

Heroin and other opiates are central nervous system depressants; in an opiate overdose, respiration slows, potentially resulting in hypoxia, coma, or death. In 1998, 140 deaths from unintentional opiate overdoses occurred in King County (which includes Seattle). To characterize these deaths, public health staff analyzed medical examiner data during 1990–1999. This report summarizes the results of that analysis, which indicate that the annual number of opiate overdoses increased 134% (from 47 to 110) and the county population increased 11.3% (1998 estimated population: 1.7 million) (1).

Fatal unintentional opiate overdoses were defined as deaths that the King County medical examiner (KCME) determined to be the result of heroin or opiate intoxication of unintentional or unknown intent. Known and probable suicides were excluded from this analysis*. For this report, opiate overdose refers to overdoses of unintentional or unknown intent. KCME used observations at the death scene, autopsy findings, and

^{*}From 1990 through 1999, an average of two opiate overdose suicides occurred per year (range: zero to five).

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toxicologic testing of body fluids to determine the cause of death¹. The KCME database was searched for all deaths where heroin or opiate intoxication was listed on the death certificate as a primary, secondary, tertiary, or quaternary cause of death. Cases where opiates were detected, but overdose was not the primary cause of death, were excluded. Because a new software program was installed by KCME in 1995, detailed analyses were conducted on 1996–1999 data only; 1990–1995 data were used to calculate the annual number of deaths.

Because the number of drug users in King County is unknown, the estimated county population (based on Washington State Office of Financial Management estimates for intercensal years 1998 and 1999 and U.S. Bureau of the Census figures for 1990) was used to calculate opiate overdose death rates. Standard errors of mortality rates and the statistical significance of the change in rates from 1990 to 1999 were computed, and PC-SAS was used for chi-square analysis of categorical data (2).

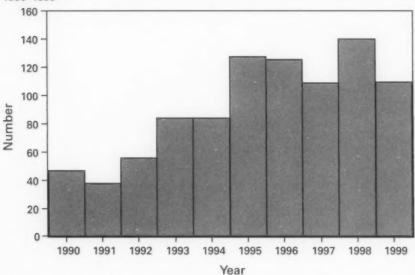
The King County opiate overdose death rate increased from 3.1 per 100,000 population in 1990 to 6.6 in 1999, an increase of 112.9% (p<0.001). Opiate overdose deaths peaked in 1998, when there were 140 deaths and a death rate of 8.4 (Figure 1). During 1996–1999, 484 decedents ranged in age from 16 to 77 years (median: 40 years). Most overdose deaths were in men (84.7%) and whites (83.0%). Three fourths of overdose deaths occurred in Seattle, and 94% of all decedents were residents of King County. Of 110 opiate overdose deaths in King County in 1999, 84 (76.4%) deaths involved substances in addition to opiates (42, other drugs; 21, alcohol; and 21, alcohol and other drugs). For 98 (89.0%) decedents, direct evidence of injecting-drug use (e.g., injection marks or used syringes) was found at the overdose site.

Since 1999, public health measures adopted by city and county government to address the increase in opiate overdose deaths in King County included authorizing a 50% increase in methadone treatment slots; improving access to methadone maintenance treatment with a motor-home-based clinic and through community-based agencies; providing preventive and limited substance-abuse treatment services in the local criminal justice system; increasing the availability of drug-free housing for persons in recovery; and providing education and interventions to children and adolescents to prevent initiation of drug use. The Seattle and King County governments have convened a task force on heroin use to develop new policies to improve access to substance-abuse treatment and extend prevention activities. A multidisciplinary, interagency working group composed of staff from Public Health-Seattle & King County, the Chemical Abuse and Dependency Services Division (King County Department of Community and Human Services), street outreach services, and providers of methadone treatment was established in January 2000 to plan an educational campaign targeting the user and substance-abuse treatment communities. In February, a Seattle hospital began dispensing methadone through a pharmacy for patients recovering from heroin addiction as part of a research project evaluating expanded access to methadone through primary-care physicians and pharmacies (3).

Opiates detected included heroin, morphine, fentanyl, hydrocodone, codeine, and methadone. Heroin rapidly metabolizes into morphine in the body; until mid-1999, when KCME tests began to differentiate between different types of morphine, heroin-related deaths were listed as morphine-related unless direct evidence of heroin use was found at the overdose site.

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FIGURE 1. Unintentional opiate overdose deaths, by year — King County, Washington, 1990–1999



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Editorial Note: The findings in this report indicate that the opiate overdose death rate increased substantially in King County during 1990–1999. Although national figures on opiate overdose deaths were not available, opiate overdose deaths appear to be a problem in other U.S. cities as well. During 1994–1998, the Drug Abuse Warning Network (DAWN)⁵ received reports of 20,140 drug-induced deaths where opiates were detected. During 1994–1998, deaths reported to DAWN increased 25.7%.

Heroin use has been increasing among injecting-drug users (IDUs) in a Seattle study since 1994 (4; H. Hagan, Public Health–Seattle & King County, personal communication, 1999). The proportion of new study recruits reporting heroin as their primary injection drug has been increasing, from 61% (n=655) in 1994 to 86% (n=524) in 1999 (5; H. Hagan, Public Health–Seattle & King County, personal communication, 2000). The risk for death during intravenous injection of an opiate is greater than from intramuscular or subcutaneous injection or from snorting or smoking because intravenous injection results in a

Managed by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, DAWN collects information on drug-abuse related deaths from participating medical examiners. The number of medical examiners participating in all years during 1994–1998 included 137 jurisdictions in 40 metropolitan areas.

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more rapid rise in opiate levels in the blood (6). Most heroin used in King County is Mexican black tar, which is difficult to snort because of impurities and consistency. The purity of heroin available in King County has remained fairly stable since the early 1990s, ranging from 13.4% to 27.9% (Domestic Monitoring Program, Drug Enforcement Administration, unpublished data, 2000). In most opiate overdose deaths in King County, alcohol and other drugs were involved; these combinations can increase the likelihood of overdose (7).

The findings in this report are subject to at least four limitations. First, the number of opiate overdose deaths was determined from a single data source. If opiate overdose deaths were not reported to or investigated by KCME, they were not included in the analysis, resulting in a possible underestimate of the overdose death rate. Second, the case definition includes "accidental" and "undetermined" overdose deaths; some of the undetermined deaths may have been suicides, resulting in a potential overestimate of the death rate. Third, nonresidents of King County were included in the analyses if they died in King County, possibly resulting in an overestimate of the death rate. Finally, if a family member or acquaintance was not available to provide information about the decedent's race or ethnicity, visual identification was used to assign race and ethnicity, potentially resulting in misclassification.

Interventions to decrease unintentional opiate overdose deaths include preventing initiation of drug use and expanding substance-abuse treatment for addiction, particularly methadone maintenance. IDUs unable or unwilling to discontinue injecting should consider reducing heroin dose after illness or abstinence (e.g., because of incarceration); training in artificial respiration; and injecting in the presence of someone who can recognize an overdose, call emergency services, and administer artificial respiration if needed (8,9). Overdose prevention programs also must address IDUs' fear that calling for emergency assistance could result in arrest. Some programs train IDUs and their partners in the use of naloxone, an opiate antagonist highly effective in reversing the effects of opiate overdose but that can induce withdrawal symptoms and requires medical supervision (6). European programs that provide "safer injection room" facilities staffed by health-care workers have been associated with a decrease in drug overdose deaths (10).

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West Nile Virus Activity - New York and New Jersey, 2000

In late August 1999, an outbreak of encephalitis caused by West Nile virus (WNV) was detected in New York City and subsequently identified in neighboring counties (1). In response, an extensive mosquito-control and risk-reduction campaign was initiated, including aerial and ground applications of mosquito adulticides throughout the affected areas. No human WNV infections were found in New York City with an onset date after the campaign was completed. Cases continued to occur among humans in surrounding counties that did not undertake mosquito-control efforts until later, suggesting that the campaign may have reduced human risk. In May 2000, CDC issued guidelines to direct national surveillance, prevention, and control efforts (2) and provided funds to support these efforts in 19 state and local health departments where WNV transmission had occurred or where transmission would probably occur based on known bird migration patterns. This report presents the findings of surveillance activities.

From May 6 through July 8, 2000, state and local health departments confirmed WNV infections in 26 birds from five counties in New York and New Jersey. Twenty-one infections have been confirmed in American crows in New York and New Jersey, four in blue jays, and one in a red-tailed hawk. The first infected crow was found May 22 in Rockland County, and the most recently infected crows were found July 6 and 8 in the same county. Fourteen infected crows identified in New York were found in Rockland (eight crows), Suffolk (three), Westchester (one), and Richmond (Staten Island) (two) counties. Seven infected crows were found in Bergen County, New Jersey. Rockland County also identified four blue jays with WNV infection, and one infected hawk was found in Westchester County. WNV has been detected by polymerase chain reaction molecular methods in mosquito pools collected in Westchester County (*Aedes japonicus*) and in Suffolk County (mixed *Culex* species). No cases of human or equine infection have been reported in the region or in surrounding states.

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Editorial Note: WNV is transmitted readily by mosquitoes. Culex species were the primary vectors of WNV during previous outbreaks and epizootics; however, WNV also

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has been isolated from many species of *Aedes* and *Anopheles* (3). In New York, WNV was isolated primarily from *Culex* species mosquitoes during the 1999 outbreak; WNV also was detected in overwintering *Culex* species in New York City. These findings suggest an important role for these species in the transmission of WNV in the United States. *Aedes japonicus* was detected recently in the United States, and research is needed to determine the flight range and feeding behavior of mosquitoes and to better understand the risk for transmission to humans.

The susceptibility of crows to infection and death is a sensitive surveillance tool that is unique to the United States (4). No data exist from which to infer the mosquito WNV infection rate associated with a small number of dead crows in an area, or to infer the risk to humans. Data also are lacking to infer where and how the dead crows acquired infection. Time of year and reproductive status of the crow population may be used to indicate whether transmission occurred locally. On the basis of the known nesting habits of crows, the finding of infected crows in early summer suggest local transmission in Rockland, Westchester, Suffolk, and Bergen counties. Data from the U.S. Geologic Survey's National Wildlife Health Center indicate that crows infected with WNV are likely to have high viremias and also are likely to be sedentary approximately 4 days before death, suggesting that they can be a source of WNV for mosquitoes in areas where they are found (National Wildlife Health Center, unpublished data, 2000).

On the basis of the surveillance indicators described in this report and the phased response plan (2), CDC recommends the following for those areas where evidence suggests local transmission of WNV:

- Intensify local and regional Culex mosquito larval control to prevent the emergence of adult mosquitoes that feed on birds and may contribute to the virus amplification/ transmission cycle.
- 2. Expand and intensify surveillance activities in and around areas where WNV-infected birds are found. Additional surveillance data about the species population densities, virus infection rates in mosquito vectors, seroprevalence in resident wild birds (e.g., house sparrows), and seroconversion rates in sentinel chickens will permit a more accurate interpretation of dead bird surveillance data and the relative risk for human disease.
- Continue active WNV surveillance to determine the presence of new or expanding WNV transmission foci.
- Reinforce public education and outreach programs to reduce mosquito breeding sites around the home and use personal protective measures.
- 5. Implement, if necessary, focal adult mosquito control to reduce the number of virus-infected mosquitoes, thus reducing the immediate risk to humans. Mosquito species that feed on birds probably are driving enzootic transmission in 2000 and probably are the vector for human cases (5). Adult mosquitoes should be controlled within approximately a 2-mile radius around the area where a WNV positive dead bird or infected mosquitoes are found. This radius depends on the length of time between transmission of the virus and the execution of control; as the time period increases, larger areas must be treated.
- Consider aerial spraying of adulticides in areas where WNV transmission is sustained and further amplification is evident despite intensive local mosquito control efforts.
- Monitor adult and larval mosquito control efforts to ensure that the control programs are effectively reducing vector mosquito densities and virus infection rates.

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Counties where WNV transmission occurred in 1999, but has not been identified in 2000, should maintain active surveillance for WNV and continue larval mosquito-control, such as controlling larval mosquito habitats, particularly around homes in suburban and urban areas and monitoring *Culex* larval habitats regularly for mosquito breeding.

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Notice to Readers

Update: Expanded Availability of Thimerosal Preservative-Free Hepatitis B Vaccine

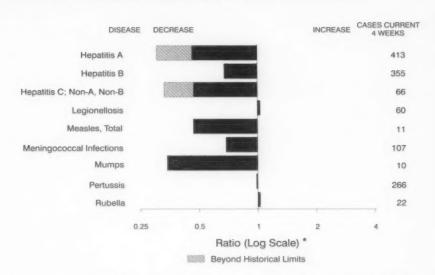
Thimerosal, a mercury-based compound, is no longer used as a preservative in any of the pediatric hepatitis B vaccines licensed in the United States. On March 28, 2000, SmithKline Beecham Biologicals (Rixensart, Belgium)* received approval from the Food and Drug Administration of a supplement to its hepatitis B license to include the manufacture of single-antigen, preservative-free hepatitis B vaccine (Engerix-B, pediatric/adolescent); distribution of this product has begun. A single-antigen, preservative-free hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax HB, pediatric) from Merck Vaccine Division (West Point, Pennsylvania) had earlier received similar approval (1). A preservative-free Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)/hepatitis B combination vaccine (Comvax) from Merck Vaccine Division also is available. An adequate supply of preservative-free hepatitis B vaccine is available for all infant and childhood vaccinations. Thimerosal preservative-containing hepatitis B vaccines may continue to be used for vaccination of adolescents and adults as recommended (2).

Some vaccines that do not use thimerosal as a preservative may have trace amounts of thimerosal introduced during the manufacturing process. The amount of thimerosal in the new pediatric/adolescent formulation of Engerix-B (<1 μ g of thimerosal/0.5 mL dose of vaccine) has been reduced by more than 96% (3).

Universal vaccination of infants is the central focus of hepatitis B prevention efforts, and initiation of the hepatitis B vaccine series at birth is safe and effective (4). Many hospitals that had provided routine hepatitis B vaccination to all infants at birth before the July 1999 joint American Academy of Physicians/Public Health Service statement on

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FIGURE I. Selected notifiable disease reports, United States, comparison of provisional 4-week totals ending July 15, 2000, with historical data



*Ratio of current 4-week total to mean of 15 4-week totals (from previous, comparable, and subsequent 4-week periods for the past 5 years). The point where the hatched area begins is based on the mean and two standard deviations of these 4-week totals.

TABLE I. Summary of provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, cumulative, week ending July 15, 2000 (28th Week)

		Cum. 2000		Cum. 2000
Anthrax			HIV infection, pediatric*1	108
Brucellosis*		26	Plague	4
Cholera			Poliomyelitis, paralytic	
Congenital rubella syndrome		4	Psittacosis*	8
Cyclosporiasis	S*	19	Rabies, human	
Diphtheria			Rocky Mountain spotted fever (RMSF)	138
Encephalitis:	California serogroup viral*	7	Streptococcal disease, invasive, group A	1,738
	eastern equine*		Streptococcal toxic-shock syndrome*	56 74
	St. Louis*	-	Syphilis, congenital ⁹	74
	western equine*		Tetanus	14 91
Ehrlichiosis	human granulocytic (HGE)*	56 25 30	Toxic-shock syndrome	91
	human monocytic (HME)*	25	Trichinosis	4
Hansen disea	Hansen disease (leprosy)*		Typhoid fever	168
Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome*1		13 48	Yellow fever	
Hemolytic ure	emic syndrome, postdiarrheal*	48		

: No reported cases

*Not notifiable in all states.

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TABLE II. Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending July 15, 2000, and July 17, 1999 (28th Week)

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Reporting Area UNITED STATES	2000° 20,482	1999 22,981	2000 313,693	1999 348,907	2000 667	1999 967	1,329	1999 974	2000 769	1999 978
Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I. Conn.	1,213 16 18 11 776 49 343	1,109 29 30 6 702 63 279	11,214 720 515 284 5,293 1,211 3,191	11,285 570 527 255 4,787 1,259 3,887	35 9 5 13 6 2	51 11 6 7 24	140 9 11 10 62 8 40	142 12 17 15 66 9	115 7 12 4 52 8 32	140 17 8 67 11 37
MID. ATLANTIC Jpstate N.Y. V.Y. City V.J.	4,928 572 2,620 1,036 700	5,893 727 2,995 1,146 1,025	23,205 N 8,080 3,820 11,305	36,292 N 15,382 6,522 14,388	69 40 7 7 15	203 61 117 16 9	136 111 7 18 N	70 44 5 21 N	67 43 16 8	71 6 64 1
E.N. CENTRAL Ohio Ind. Ill. Mich. Wis.	2,052 306 191 1,198 255 102	1,498 246 189 677 307 79	51,398 13,106 6,310 13,678 12,459 5,845	57,408 14,727 6,422 17,197 11,502 7,560	148 23 12 7 32 74	178 20 13 32 25 88	255 53 41 62 47 52	182 62 22 66 32 N	101 25 25 26 26 25	169 59 21 44 20 25
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	480 87 52 223 1 4 31 82	502 82 52 231 4 11 37 85	17,465 3,282 2,101 6,331 352 940 1,811 2,648	20,197 4,071 2,306 7,365 472 821 1,844 3,318	64 11 21 11 5 5 9	56 13 13 11 4 3 11	201 52 43 58 8 10 19	175 46 31 18 3 12 52 13	145 51 10 44 12 12 9	215 72 26 25 6 21 62 3
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. W. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Ffa.	5,443 94 602 388 385 33 334 434 607 2,566	6,282 80 720 239 335 31 394 579 957 2,947	63,956 1,537 6,844 1,731 7,782 753 11,727 4,880 12,081 16,621	75,013 1,474 7,099 N 7,942 943 12,250 9,523 19,064 16,718	126 4 7 7 7 4 3 12 61 28	9 7 10 5 87 56	109 12 22 8 20 6 15 26	116 4 8 31 5 24 12 7 25	60 1 U 19 4 15 2 10 9	90 30 2 28 10 U
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	1,005 114 407 262 222	1,028 151 402 255 220	24,740 4,306 7,535 7,606 5,293	23,617 4,096 7,324 5,669 6,528	25 1 7 10 7	13 4 4 3 2	53 19 22 5 7	63 14 28 15 6	27 13 12	46 11 18 14 3
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	1,868 103 336 156 1,273	2,475 90 464 71 1,850	50,970 2,876 10,034 4,177 33,883	47,530 3,219 7,279 4,297 32,735	29 1 8 4 16	40 21 2 17	75 36 4 9 26	44 5 6 7 26	64 3 18 7 36	61 5 7 10 39
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	755 9 13 6 157 86 244 67 173	852 4 12 3 171 46 422 80 114	19,778 803 1,002 377 6,104 2,468 6,044 1,240 1,740	18,646 697 922 413 4,268 2,786 6,786 1,118 1,656	44 8 3 3 13 3 9 2	43 8 3 4 17 8 N 3	150 16 19 8 65 6 27 7	78 4 4 3 29 5 14 15 4	78 2 36 3 20 17	66 7 5 17 2 9 19
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	2,738 285 89 2,275 10 79	3,342 185 87 3,011 13 46	50,967 6,858 2,783 38,866 1,265 1,195	58,919 6,293 3,404 46,509 999 1,714	127 N 9 118	210 N 79 131	210 77 34 89 2 8	104 33 24 42	112 69 36	120 48 22 45
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	13 518 21	5 737 15	478	242 U U U	:	U	N 4	N 5 U U U	0000	UUU

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*Chlamydia refers to genital infections caused by C. trachomatis. Totals reported to the Division of STD Prevention, NCHSTP.
*Updated monthly from reports to the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention — Surveillance and Epidemiology, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention. Last update June 25, 2000.

TABLE II. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending July 15, 2000, and July 17, 1999 (28th Week)

	Gono	rrhea		titis C; , Non-B	Legio	nellosis		/me lease
Reporting Area	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum
UNITED STATES	162,447	185,078	1,359	2,013	386	475	3,475	1999 5,344
NEW ENGLAND Maine	3,077	3,421	27	12	23	30	898	1,590
V.H.	54	27 56	1	2	2 2	3	*	1,550
Vt. Mass.	31	32	3	5	2	3 5	36 5	
R.I.	1,410	1,339 323	20	2	9	10	347	422
Conn.	1,237	1,645	3	3	3 5	3	80 431	113
MID. ATLANTIC	14,520	21,016	56	69	75	112	1,939	1,049
Upstate N.Y. N.Y. City	3,507 3,220	3,228 7,294	37	34	32	28	954	2,708 1,259
V.J.	2,489	3,908			4	14 11	4	78
Pa.	5,304	6,586	18	35	39	59	319 662	654 717
N. CENTRAL	31,437	35,887	131	1,112	98	148	86	365
Ohio Ind.	7,722	9,348	4	1	39	46	29	26
H.	9,365	11,697	8	33	25 8	20 19	11 2	14
Mich. Nis.	9,168 2,268	8,059	118	484	19	36	2	13
W.N. CENTRAL		3,339	7	593	7	28	44	303
Minn.	7,595 1,334	8,577 1,493	379 5	98	29	26	82	71
owa Vlo.	465	545	1	*	4	8	26	13 10
V. Dak.	3,811	4,181	348	93	19	12	19	32
S. Dak.	143	80		-	1	1	-	1
Vebr. Cans.	673 1,154	851 1,382	3 22	2	*	4	4	8
ATLANTIC	46,200	54,226	66	(NE	4	_	33	7
Del.	874	890		95	83	59	386 53	481
Md. D.C.	4,510 1,235	5,154 1,953	9	15	29	10	241	348
/a.	4,955	5,343	2	10	1	13	1 52	3
V. Va. V.C.	9,531	325	9	13	N	N	10	32 11
S.C.	5,783	10,558 5,657	13	25 13	8	10	13	38
Ga. Ha.	7,559 11,526	12,474	2	1	4	7	2	3
S. CENTRAL		11,872	29	18	24	11	14	7
Y.	17,794 1,816	18,411 1,805	230	166	11	29	17	39
enn.	5,844	5,824	57	10 58	5 4	12 13	10	6
Ala. Miss.	5,996 4,138	4,993 5,789	7	1	2	2	2	19
V.S. CENTRAL	26,468			97		2	1	3
Ark.	1,552	26,641 1,618	277	270 15	11	2	9	16
a. Okla.	7,035 1,814	5,987	172	187	8	1	1	3
ex.	16,067	2,148 16,888	98	61	1 2	1	7	4
MOUNTAIN	5,096	5,067	108	102	20			8
Mont. daho	26 49	22	2	4		29	4	7
Vyo.	30	46 13	3 64	34	4	*	1	
Colo. I. Mex.	1,647	1,266	14	16	7	8	1	1
iriz.	527 2.028	534 2,412	10 11	17 19	1	1	+	1
ltah	125	106		5	3 4	10		2
lev.	664	668	4	3	8	6	1	2
ACIFIC Vash.	10,260	11,832 1,095	86 15	89	36	40	54	67
reg.	370	486	18	9	12 N	9 N	3	2
alif. Jaska	8,351 172	9,853	51	69	24	30	48	6 59
lawaii	173	164 234	2	2	*	1	N	N
uam		33					14	N
R.	307	172	1			-	N	N
mer. Samoa		U	-	U		U	-	U
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TABLE II. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending July 15, 2000, and July 17, 1999 (28th Week)

					Salmonellosis*						
	Mal			, Animal	NE:			ILIS			
Reporting Area	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999			
NITED STATES	526	665	2,807	3,149	15,089	16,925	10,484	15,585			
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. Vt. Mass. R.I. Conn.	28 4 1 2 7 5	26 2 2 1 11 2 8	369 79 8 36 120 22 104	430 79 26 61 94 52 118	999 77 69 61 569 45 178	992 67 55 41 571 56 202	952 41 66 59 520 79 187	1,051 52 64 37 570 76 252			
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y. I.Y. City I.J.	87 31 29 9 18	180 36 89 35 20	523 364 U 83 76	591 419 U 103 69	1,996 558 451 495 492	2,288 528 675 511 574	1,788 542 560 307 379	2,168 556 680 503 429			
E.N. CENTRAL Dhio nd. II. Mich. Wis.	57 12 4 19 17 5	84 12 8 35 20 9	43 11 4 23 5	52 14 2 25 11	2,230 578 281 642 445 284	2,588 504 218 842 484 540	1,264 423 244 1 429 167	2,236 482 217 788 488 261			
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. owa Wo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	29 13 1 5 2	28 5 8 11	276 50 46 12 74 48	426 61 66 14 88 124 3 70	1,020 201 170 363 27 36 69 154	1,064 260 107 375 15 50 110	1,067 290 94 418 41 48 44 132	1,202 363 107 434 32 72 87 107			
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. V. Va. N. Va. N. C. S.C. Ga. Fla.	149 3 47 12 30 2 11 1 4 39	165 1 50 11 38 1 11 2 13 38	1,212 20 233 303 66 293 73 157 67	1,107 30 226 282 67 224 85 101 92	3,080 48 412 31 419 79 404 292 528 867	3,303 63 376 50 563 75 493 200 506 977	2,025 51 372 U 364 71 332 218 571 46	2,815 75 401 U 520 68 574 179 722 276			
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	21 5 5 10 1	13 3 5 4	96 14 50 32	154 24 56 74	781 177 205 234 165	914 192 233 258 231	439 118 194 111 16	642 138 252 217 35			
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	7 1 2 4	13 2 9 2	35	80 14 66	1,175 253 108 169 645	1,525 203 325 177 820	1,362 105 177 104 976	1,235 76 273 135 751			
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	24 1 2 11 3 3	22 4 1 1 9 2 2 2 1	118 34 1 26 11 43 2	112 40 31 1 4 32 3	1,357 58 75 28 414 116 365 172 129	1,516 28 48 20 424 223 435 240 98	948 14 383 83 287 181	1,357 1 47 24 424 176 383 253			
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	124 12 22 87	134 10 13 101	135 2 114 19	197 1 189 7	2,451 229 169 1,923 29 101	2,735 311 257 1,923 24 220	639 312 212 21 94	2,879 462 288 1,941 13 175			
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	:	Ú	37	50 U U	124	20 262 U U	0000	0000			

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TABLE II. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases, United States,

	weeks e			00, and Ju		99 (28th V	Veek)	
	NETS	Shigel SS		ILIS	Syp (Primary &	hilis Secondary)	Tuber	culosis
Reporting Area	Cum. 2000	Cum.	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999
INITED STATES	8,944	7,325	4,404	4,139	3,080	3,522	5,674	8,076
NEW ENGLAND Maine N.H. /t. Mass. R.I. Conn.	178 6 4 2 126 12 28	185 3 7 4 126 14 31	159 6 106 18 29	161 6 3 110 8 34	43 1 1 33 3 5	32 1 2 20 1 8	197 2 4 2 120 22 47	218 12 4 119 24 59
MID, ATLANTIC Jpstate N.Y. V.Y. City V.J.	1,104 437 420 158 89	505 128 169 128 80	674 149 366 83 76	293 32 121 104 36	134 7 53 24 50	157 13 69 34 41	1,228 135 676 289 128	1,251 141 676 274 160
E.N. CENTRAL Dhio Ind. III. Mich. Wis.	2,009 150 839 464 427 129	1,402 271 83 513 177 358	582 95 73 2 376 36	677 66 33 407 128 43	593 41 224 171 136 21	634 52 215 230 113 24	612 132 44 306 82 48	857 108 65 402 172 110
W.N. CENTRAL Minn. Iowa Mo. N. Dak. S. Dak. Nebr. Kans.	938 189 260 370 4 2 30 83	601 92 11 424 2 9 37 26	702 256 131 263 4 1 9	425 133 13 226 2 5 25 21	37 3 10 19	82 7 7 54 4 10	239 82 23 94 2 9 10	268 103 26 96 2 9 12 20
S. ATLANTIC Del. Md. D.C. Va. V. Va. N.C. S.C. Ga. Fia.	1,264 8 73 20 212 3 65 66 126 692	1,181 8 69 32 47 6 120 65 117 717	381 8 23 U 174 3 31 52 41	304 3 23 U 28 3 59 36 42	1,029 5 147 31 69 1 305 97 186 188	1,164 4 232 27 93 2 260 147 222 177	1,269 140 11 136 18 162 54 240 508	1,641 20 138 28 121 25 219 174 331 585
E.S. CENTRAL Ky. Tenn. Ala. Miss.	437 108 218 23 88	715 134 458 65 58	262 48 200 11 3	464 100 323 37 4	474 51 294 63 66	614 52 340 134 88	409 58 186 165	516 101 160 157 98
W.S. CENTRAL Ark. La. Okla. Tex.	1,015 112 71 66 766	1,297 52 109 337 799	1,059 24 72 20 943	520 20 53 103 344	447 56 105 74 212	531 39 129 118 245	240 102 73 65	1,114 85 U 67 962
MOUNTAIN Mont. Idaho Wyo. Colo. N. Mex. Ariz. Utah Nev.	503 4 32 1 85 54 217 35 75	381 6 8 2 61 49 198 28 29	215 2 42 22 110 39	248 6 1 47 32 127 29 6	108 1 1 2 15 86	117 1 1 6 103 2 4	250 6 5 1 30 29 119 22 38	243 5 1 U 35 121 25 56
PACIFIC Wash. Oreg. Calif. Alaska Hawaii	1,496 318 95 1,050 7 26	1,058 55 39 940	370 289 59 - 3 19	1,047 54 33 937	215 36 4 175	191 39 3 147 1	1,230 150 8 950 51 71	1,968 137 57 1,652 33 89
Guam P.R. V.I. Amer. Samoa C.N.M.I.	2	7 57 U U	00000	00000	74	1 88 U U	:	3 103 U U U

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-: No reported cases.

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"Cumulative reports of provisional tuberculosis cases for 1999 are unavailable ("U") for some areas using the Tuberculosis Information System (TIMS).

TABLE III. Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases preventable by vaccination, United States, weeks ending July 15, 2000, and July 17, 1999 (28th Week)

	H. influ	ienzae,		July 1					Measl	es (Rube	ola)	
		sive	A		В		Indige	nous	Impo		Tota	1
Reporting Area	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	2000	Cum. 2000	2000	Cum. 2000	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999
UNITED STATES	667	660	5,955	8,840	3,591	3,630	2	32	12000 [11	43	61
NEW ENGLAND	49	48	148	129	36	83				3	3	10
Maine	1	5	10	4	5	1	*	*		*		
N.H. /t.	9	9	16	8	11	8	- 1			3	3	1
Mass.	23	19	59	52	6	28						7
R.I.	1	1	7	10	9	22	*	*	*	*	*	
Conn.	12	10	52	54		23		-	-	*	*	2
MID. ATLANTIC Upstate N.Y.	105 51	120 48	547 120	635 136	487 67	485 109	2 2	8	*	1	9	5
N.Y. City	24	37	176	175	206	148	-					3
N.J.	23	32	79	80	79	73				*		
Pa.	7	3	172	244	135	155		*	*	1	1	-
E.N. CENTRAL	88	105 37	723 148	1,691	386	399	*	7		-	7	2
Ohio Ind.	36 12	16	36	392 60	66 28	52 27		2			2	1
III.	35	44	258	365	61	36		4	*	*	4	
Mich. Wis.	5	8	268 13	828	230	261	*	1		7	1	1
				46	1	24		*	*		*	
W.N. CENTRAL Minn.	36 16	26 13	595 129	413	508 19	153 25		2	2	1	3	
lowa	*	1	51	76	22	23		1			1	
Mo.	8	3	288	242	422	88		*		*	*	
N. Dak. S. Dak.	1	2	2	8	2	1	U		U		*	
Nebr.	4	3	18	34	18	12				-	*	
Kans.	7	4	107	10	25	4	U	1	U	*	1	
S. ATLANTIC	183	143	717	941	652	536		1		18	1	-4
Del. Md.	50	38	89	179	72	85						
D.C.		4	14	37	17	14				*	*	
Va. W. Va.	28 5	12	82	88 20	80	53 15	*		~	~	*	3
N.C.	15	23	92	66	141	125		-	~	-		
S.C.	10	2	30	22	5	38			8			
Ga. Fla.	50 25	41 19	112 254	268 259	98 233	63 142		i			1	1
E.S. CENTRAL	30	43	243	239	245	257						2
Ky.	11	6	29	46	50	19						2
Tenn.	14	21	93	101	110	123	*	*		-	*	
Ala. Miss.	4	14 2	36 86	36 57	27 58	54 61		-		*		
W.S. CENTRAL	37	44	964	1,741	367	604		1			1	4
Ark.		2	93	26	58	44		1			1	
La.	7	11	28	105	50	116	*	*	~			
Okla. Tex.	28	28	160 683	318 1,292	75 184	74 370		-			-	2
MOUNTAIN	69	60	485	764	259	337		11		1	12	
Mont.		1	2	12	3	16			-			
ldaho Wyo.	3	1	18	29	5 2	20			*	*	*	
Colo.	11	10	108	143	51	48		1	- 1	1	2	
N. Mex.	14	14	43	30	69	106			~		-	
Ariz. Utah	33	28	239 34	443 29	93	86 20	ú	3	Ú	*	3	
Nev.	1	2	33	74	22	33	Ü	7	Ü	-	7	
PACIFIC	70	71	1,533	2.287	651	776		2		5	7	30
Wash.	3	2	151	169	42	35	*	-				
Oreg. Calif.	18 26	25 36	116 1,258	148 1,953	51 547	62 658		1	-	3	4	71
Alaska	4	5	1,236	4	6	13		1		3	1	16
Hawaii	19	3		13	5	8			-	2	2	
Guam		*		2	*	2	U		U		-	
P.R. V.I.	1	2	57	176 U	58	127 U	ú	*	ú	*		(
Amer. Samoa		U		U		ŭ	U		Ü		-	(
C.N.M.I.		U		Ũ		Ü	Ü		Ü			i

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*For imported measles, cases include only those resulting from importation from other countries.
'Of 132 cases among children aged <5 years, serotype was reported for 60 and of those, 16 were type b.

TABLE III. (Cont'd) Provisional cases of selected notifiable diseases preventable by vaccination, United States, weeks ending July 15, 2000, and July 17, 1999 (28th Week)

		ococcał ease		Mumps			Pertussis			Rubella	
Reporting Area	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	2000	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	2000	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999	2000	Cum. 2000	Cum. 1999
INITED STATES	1,269	1,468	2	206	225	96	2,700	3,120	-	79	167
EW ENGLAND	80	71	-	2	6	7	682	354		6	7
Maine	6	5			-		14				-
I.H.	9 2	9	*	*	1	3	148	54 28		2	
Aass.	48	41	-		4	1	417	249		3	7
R.I.	6	2	*	1	~	2	11	13	~		-
Conn.	9	10	*	1	-	1	30	10		1	
AID. ATLANTIC	123	147		9	32	9	198	611		2	25
Jpstate N.Y. N.Y. City	38 26	40	-	6	6	6	121	503		2	17
V.J.	27	33	-		1			15			2
a.	32	32		3	17	3	77	69	-		3
N. CENTRAL	224	259		24	28	27	327	268		1	2
Ohio	53	97	-	7	8	13	180	120	-		
nd. II.	34 53	32 66		5	3 7	9	36 27	14 58		1	1
Mich.	64	37		12	8	1	35	26		1	
Vis.	20	27			2		49	50			-
W.N. CENTRAL	107	141	1	13	9	4	141	115	-	1	88
Minn.	7	29		-	1		66	35 25	-	-	200
owa Mo.	21 62	26 53	1	5 2	4	3	26 26	28			26
V. Dak.	2	3	U			ŭ	1	-	U	-	
S. Dak.	5	8	-	:	-		3	5	-	*	
Vebr. Cans.	5	8	Ü	2	3	U U	4 15	3 19	Ü	1	60
S. ATLANTIC	207	227		32	35	10	218	163		51	20
Del.	207	4		+	-	10	5		-	31	
Md.	19	38	4	7	3	1	49	52			1
D.C. Va.	35	28	-	5	2	7	28	13	3		
W. Va.	8	4			*		1	1		-	
N.C. S.C.	29	28	~	5	8		51	45	-	42	19
Ga.	15 36	31 43		10 2	3	-	19 20	16		7	
Fla.	66	50	*	3	10	2	44	28		2	
E.S. CENTRAL	92	110		6	9	1	47	55		4	2
Ky.	20	20			*		19	13	*	1	
Tenn. Ala.	39 26	42 29		2 2	7	1	15 12	27 13		3	
Miss.	7	19		2	2		1	2			
W.S. CENTRAL	87	159		20	30	4	123	87	-	4	4
Ark.	9	27		1	-		10	10			
La. Okla.	27 21	53 22		3	7		3	5 8			
Tex.	30	57		16	22	4	104	64	,	4	4
MOUNTAIN	75	91		14	10	13	424	382		2	15
Mont.	1	2		1	-	2	11	2		*	
ldaho Wyo.	6	8	*	1	1	-	42	104			
Colo.	24	22		1	3	6	231	134		1	
N. Mex.	7	12	*	1	N	3	81	42	-	-	-
Ariz. Utah	27	29 10	Ü	3 4	3	2 U	43	60 36	Ü	1	1:
Nev.	3	5	ŭ	3	3	ŭ	6	2	ŭ		
PACIFIC	274	263	1	86	66	21	540	1.085		8	
Wash.	34	40	1	4	2	5	186	508			
Oreg. Calif.	37	50 163	N	N 68	N 56	1 15	58 262	21 529		8	
Calit. Alaska	190	6		7	1	15	12	3		0	
Hawaii	8	4	-	7	7		22	24		-	
Guam		1	U		1	U		1	U		
P.R.	5	9					1	13		-	
V.I. Amer. Samoa	-	U	U		U	U		U	U		1
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TABLE IV. Deaths in 122 U.S. cities,* week ending July 15, 2000 (28th Week)

	All Causes, By Age (Years)								All Causes, By Age (Years)						P&I¹
Reporting Area	All Ages	≥06	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	P&I' Total	Reporting Area	All Ages	≥65	45-64	25-44	1-24	<1	Total
NEW ENGLAND Boston, Mass. Bridgeport, Conn. Cambridge, Mass. Fall River, Mass. Hartford, Conn. Lowell, Mass. Lynn, Mass. New Bedford, Mass. New Haven, Conn. Providence, R.I. Somerville, Mass. Springfield, Mass.	27 30 3	360 81 34 10 33 U 11 4 21 18 26 24	1	30 12 2 2 2 U 3	8 4 1 1	2 1 U	52 14 7 1 U 1	S. ATLANTIC Atlanta, Ga. Battimore, Md. Charlotte, N.C. Jacksonville, Fla. Norfolk, Va. Richmond, Va. Savannah, Ga. St. Petersburg, I Tampa, Fla. Washington, D. Wilmington, D.	92 72 75 44 Fla. 53 197 C. 100	733 U 124 78 119 61 47 44 28 41 137 54 U	233 U 39 23 42 15 17 23 9 7 29 29 U	101 U 34 6 8 9 2 5 5 1 20 11 U	37 U 9 4 3 4 2 2 4 4 5 U	23 U 3 4 1 2 4 3 3	80 U 19 13 19 8 5 2 3 1 1 9
Worcester, Mass. MID. ATLANTIC Albany, N.Y. Allentown, Pa. Buffalo, N.Y. Camden, N.J. Elizabeth, N.J. Erie, Pa.§	74 2,206 39 U 105 17 16 37	57 1,531 31 U 78 9 9	12 431 6 U 18 3 5	5 170 2 U 6 5 2	38 U 1	36 U 2	134 4 U 11 1 3 4	E.S. CENTRAL Birmingham, Al Chattanooga, Te Knoxville, Tenn. Lexington, Ky. Memphis, Tenn Mobile, Ala. Montgomery, A Nashville, Tenn.	96 88 61 . 194 64 1a. 58	581 119 63 59 38 123 46 43 90	197 47 15 20 18 41 11 13 32	70 18 7 4 3 12 5 2	33 9 3 1 11 1	24 5 2 2 1 7 1	54 11 5 1 3 11 3 14 6
Jersey City, N.J. New York City, N.Y Newark, N.J. Paterson, N.J. Philadelphia, Pa. Pittsburgh, Pa. Reading, Ps. Rochester, N.Y. Schenectady, N.Y. Scranton, Pa. 5 Syracuse, N.Y. Trenton, N.J. Utica, N.Y. Yonkers, N.Y.	38 1,150 43 21 273 78 42 127 24 26 124 28 18 U	29 785 21 15 167 54 35 101 177 19 94 21 14	133 14 3 61 17 5 20 6 5 21	49352322412323U	23 2 1 5 2 2	15 1 8 3	47 1 19 11 2 7 1 20 1	W.S. CENTRAL Austin, Tex. Baton Rouge, La Corpus Christi, Dallas, Tex. El Paso, Tex. Ft. Worth, Tex. Houston, Tex. Little Rock, Ark. New Orleans, La San Antonio, Te Shreveport, La Tulsa, Okla.	Tex. 64 226 90 118 383 65	9866 72 36 44 1311 59 80 227 51 37 155 19 76	339 23 5 13 566 18 25 94 10 16 49 2	114 3 3 24 6 4 40 7 16 1	76 1 2 3 8 3 5 13 3 26 7 2	49 2 4 1 7 4 4 9 1 6 2 1 8	96 6 3 12 6 15 25 2 6 9 7
E.N. CENTRAL Akron, Ohio Canton, Ohio Chicago, Ill. Cincinnati, Ohio Cleveland, Ohio Columbus, Ohio Dayton, Ohio Detroit, Mich. Evansville, Ind. Fort Wayne, Ind.	2,048 64 36 387 78 130 189 U 203 46 61	1,375 41 29 229 47 84 140 U 112 35	14 88 16 31 35 U 58 7	148 3 1 46 5 7 6 U 19 2 3	53 2 1 10 2 4 4 U 8	64 4 1 14 8 4 4 U 6 1	142 3 3 43 6 4 9 U 5 7	MOUNTAIN Albuquerque, N Boise, Idaho Colo. Springs, (Denver, Colo. Las Vegas, Nev. Ogden, Utah Phoenix, Ariz. Pueblo, Colo. Salt Lake City, L Tucson, Ariz.	2610. 63 94 196 30 156	43 62 125 21 94 14 61	15 4 13 20 46 5 31 2	81 9 5 8 15 3 20	27 1 1 2 8 6 8 1	19 1 1 1 2 2 1 5	80 8 2 3 8 12 2 9 2 6 8
Gary, Ind. Grand Rapids, Mid Indianapolis, Ind. Lansing, Mich. Milwaukee, Wis. Peoria, III. Rockford, III. South Bend, Ind. Toledo, Ohio Youngstown, Ohio	19 62 277 38 141 58 40 51	100 46 192 30 102 41 32 36 66	3 5 5 52 52 4 2 24 1 12 7 9 9 19	3 7 21 1 8 2 1 2	1 1 5 2 5 2 1 3 2	2 3 7 1 2 1	7 22 2 10 3 1 3 6	PACIFIC Berkeley, Calif, Fresno, Calif, Glendale, Calif, Honolulu, Hawa Long Beach, Ca Los Angeles, Ca Pasadena, Calif, Portland, Oreg. Sacramento, Ca	lif. 57 ilif. 710 21 65	14 83 29 52 47 482 18 48	3 23 9 20 5 144 3 8	118 1 10 1 4 51	46 5 3 1 21 2	28 6 1 12	108 1
W.N. CENTRAL Des Moines, Iowa Duluth, Minn. Kansas City, Kans. Kansas City, Mo. Lincoln, Nebr. Minneapolis, Min	. 3 56 48 n. 173	84 U 40 36 131	8 J U 3 7 7 7 1 25	5 U 5 2 11	20 2 U	12 2 U	13	San Diego, Cali San Francisco, San Jose, Calif Santa Cruz, Cal Seattle, Wash. Spokane, Wash. Tacoma, Wash.	f. 171 Calif. U . 214 if. 40 146	120 U 153 31 104 41	31 U 41 8 31 8	11 U 17 1 6	6 U 1 2 2 2	2 0 2	12 U 9
Omaha, Nebr. St. Louis, Mo. St. Paul, Minn. Wichita, Kans.	101 88 75 20	46 56	21 12	9	5 6	3		TOTAL	11,925	8,088	2,360	874	338	256	770

U: Unavailable. ∴No reported cases.

*Mortality data in this table are voluntarily reported from 122 cities in the United States, most of which have populations of ≥100,000. A death is reported by the place of its occurrence and by the week that the death certificate was filed. Fetal deaths are not included. Pneumonia and influenza.

*Because of changes in reporting methods in this Pennsylvania city, these numbers are partial counts for the current week. Complete counts will be available in 4 to 6 weeks.

*Total includes unknown ages.

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thimerosal in vaccines discontinued this practice because of concerns about thimerosal (1). Some of these hospitals did not resume routine vaccination at birth even after hepatitis B vaccines that do not contain thimerosal as a preservative became available (CDC, unpublished data, 2000). Preservative-free hepatitis B vaccines are now widely available, and efforts should be made to reintroduce routine hepatitis B vaccination policies for all newborn infants in hospitals in which these policies and practices have been discontinued.

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